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TITLE OF INVENTION: DRAPABLE LIQUID CRYSTAL TRANSFER DISPLAY FILMS

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Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after allowance or after an Office action under *Ex Parte Quayle*, 25 USPQ 74, 453 O.G. 213 (Comm'r Pat. 1935). Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, prosecution in this application has been reopened pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 03/30/2010 has been entered.

REASON FOR ALLOWANCE

- 2. Claims 1-35 are allowed.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reason for allowance:

Chen (US 6,147,741) shows Referring now to FIG. 1, illustrated in schematic sectional view is a single individually addressable bi-stable scanning element 10 according to the first embodiment of the present invention. Bi-stable scanning element 10 is generally fabricated in a stack formation including a substrate 12 formed of any convenient optically transparent material, such as glass. A transparent conductive material layer 14 is formed on an upper surface of substrate 12. Electrically conductive material layer 14 is fabricated of an optically transparent material, such as indium tin oxide (ITO), thereby allowing the light impinging thereon to pass there through and defining an optically clear contact. A molecular liquid crystal alignment, or orientation, layer 16 is positioned on a surface of transparent electrically conductive material layer 14. Next, a second substrate element 18 having positioned thereupon an electrically

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conductive material layer 20 and a molecular liquid crystal alignment layer 22, is aligned with substrate element 12, conductive material layer 14 and alignment layer 16, thereby forming a defined area 23. The area 23 formed between molecular liquid crystal alignment layers 16 and 22 is filled with a continuous layer of liquid crystal material 24 composed of a plurality of liquid crystal molecules. Scanning element 10 is then interfaced with a bi-stable drive circuit (not shown).

Chung (US Patent No. 6,017,468) shows FIGS. 4A and 4B, transparent conductive layers 3 and 4 are formed on the opposed inside surfaces of a first transparent substrate 1 and a second transparent substrate 2 respectively. Polymer dispersed liquid crystal layers 5 and 6 are interposed between the transparent conductive layer 3 and 4. In the figures, the transparent conductive layer 3 is formed, for example, from ITO (indium tin oxide) and serves as pixel electrodes connected to the source electrode 7h the thin film transistor 7 functioning as active elements. The thin film transistor 7 comprises an active semiconductor layer 7a made of silicon, a gate insulating film 7b and a gate electrode 7c stacked in this order. A drain region 7d and a source region 7e are located in the both sides of the active semiconductor layer 7a. This thin film transistor 7 is covered by an insulating film 7f with the source electrode 7h connected to the source region 7e through a contact hole and a drain electrode 7g connected to a drain bus line (not shown in the figure) and the drain region 7d through the other contact hole. Of course, the thin film transistor 7 and the transparent conductive layer 3 is coupled as a pair located in each pixel of the matrix of the screen. For example, 800.times.600 pairs are formed on the substrate 1.

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Aylward (US 2006/0066803) teaches The removable substrate further comprises adhesion modifying layer(s) which is a release layer. The adhesion modifying layer comprises an adhesive layer (23a-b). The electrically modulated imaging layer comprises a light modulating material from a chiral nematic liquid crystal material. It may also comprise electrochromic materials. The imaging layer comprises a blue independently switchable liquid crystal layer a green independently switchable liquid crystal layer or a red independently switchable liquid crystal layer. An environmental protection layer and a dielectric insulating layer are provided. The display further comprises a radiation absorbing layer which is a color contrast layer. The display further comprises an antistatic layer. A layer having an antiglare treated surface closest to the viewer is included. Preferred Property: The adhesion modifying layer has an adhesive strength of less than 250 N/m. The adhesion between the first-pass film and the transport substrate is greater than 0.3 N/m. Preferred Condition: The difference between the refractive index of the electrically modulated imaging layer and the refractive index of the upper conductive layer (17a-c) and the refractive index of the lower conductive layer is 0.15-0.01.

4. The subject matter of the independent claims could either not be found or was not suggested in the prior art of record. The subject matter not found was <u>a drapable</u> transfer display film comprised of a plurality of stacked layers that are prepared on, cured and lifted from a release surface and then transferred to a drapable substrate, wherein said plurality of stacked layers comprise at least one liquid crystal layer and at

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<u>least one electrically conductive layer near said liquid crystal layer</u>, in combination with the other elements (or steps) of the apparatus and method recited in the claims.

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5. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nitin Patel whose telephone number is 571-272-7677. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Shalwala Bipin can be reached on 571-272-7681. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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